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In re Application of

William M. OWENS

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Sir:

The Examiner's decision to reopen prosecution as well as his new grounds of rejection indicated in the Office Action dated April 8, 2003 are noted.

**Applicants hereby request reinstatement of the appeal filed August 8, 2002. 37 CFR 1.193(b)(2).**

The objection to the specification is noted. Applicants respectfully request that the correction be held in abeyance pending allowance of at least one of the claims. The new art rejections are *traversed* as detailed in the concurrently filed Supplemental Appeal Brief.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned, Applicant's attorney of record, to facilitate advancement of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,  
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